

# William P. Cervone Intake Deflection Program

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# Criminal Case Deflection

Conceived 2017.

Opened in January 2018.

Processed over 5000  
potential candidates.

Deflected over 1000 people.

No Criminal Record.

# Circuit Wide

Brought all  
counties 6  
counties on in  
2019.

Every Law  
Enforcement  
Agency in the  
Circuit



# How is this funded?

- 2 State Funded Positions
  - Assistant State Attorney
  - Professional Staff



**PROCESS**

# Application Not Required

“Just don’t arrest”

No specific document required.

Incident is referred to SAO

# Eligibility

Eligible crimes

Victim Crimes

- Victim Consent
- Restitution paid, if any

## Excluded Crimes

Traffic (All UTC's are  
“arrests” under the  
law)

Separate DUI post-  
arrest diversion  
program

Domestic Violence



# Notice to Participant



LETTER



PHONE  
CALL



TEXT



EMAIL

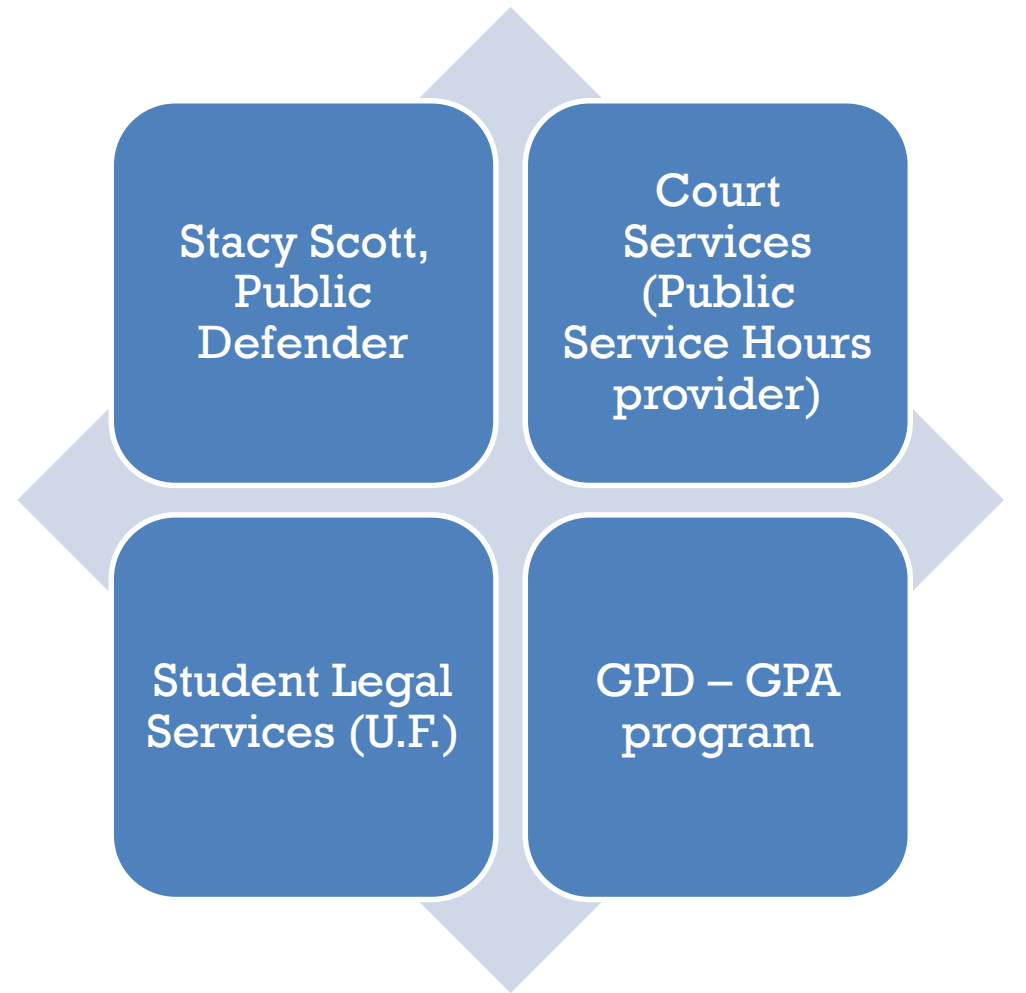
# Intake Session

Pre-COVID Group  
Session

Post-COVID  
Individual  
conferences

Returning to in-  
person when safe.

# Legal Community Partners



# Alachua Current Numbers

5042 cases screened

1501 offered

1244 accepted

1070 successfully completed

75 in progress

85 unsuccessful

# Circuit Current Numbers

5894 cases screened

1706 offered

1403 accepted

1188 successfully completed

108 in progress

93 unsuccessful